**Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection** Secretary Randy Romanski

**DATE:** February 10, 2023

TO: Michael J. Queensland

**Senate Chief Clerk** 

Edward A. Blazel Assembly Chief Clerk

FROM: Randy Romanski, Secretary 1 ( )

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

**SUBJECT:** Nonresident Aliens and Corporation Land Report

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection has received the following two submissions pursuant to s. 710.02 (4), Wis. Stats. in the 2022 calendar year:

- 1. Bayer AG (submission dated January 5, 2022)
  - Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc. transferred agricultural land to Bayer Research and Development Services, LLC. Both Seminis Vegetable Seeds, Inc. and Bayer Research and Development Services, LLC are wholly owned subsidiaries of Bayer AG, a German stock corporation headquartered in Leverkusen, Germany. (AFIDA report dated January 5, 2022).
- 2. Polsinelli Law Firm (submission dated July 27, 2022)
  - Badger Hollow Wind Farm, LLC, with foreign investors located in Montreal, Canada, acquired a long-term leasehold interest in a property located in Iowa County (AFIDA report dated July 22, 2020).
  - Darien Solar Energy Center, LLC, with foreign investors located in Montreal, Canada, acquired long-term leasehold interests in multiple properties located in Walworth County. (AFIDA reports dated July 31, 2020, and August 24, 2020).
  - Invenergy Solar Development North America, LLC, with foreign investors located in Montreal, Canada, acquired long-term leasehold interests in multiple properties located in:
    - Walworth County (AFIDA reports dated July 27, 2020, July 31, 2020, and December 11, 2020).
    - Rock County (AFIDA reports dated December 11, 2020).
    - Iowa County (AFIDA reports dated July 27, 2020).
    - Jefferson County (AFIDA reports dated July 27, 2020 and July 31, 2020).
    - Kenosha County (AFIDA reports dated July 27, 2020).

- o Invenergy Solar Project Development, LLC, with foreign investors located in Montreal, Canada, acquired long-term leasehold interests in multiple properties located in
  - Dane County (AFIDA reports dated July 27, 2020, July 31, 2020, December 11, 2020, and January 15, 2021.)
  - Jefferson County (AFIDA reports dated June 25, 2021, July 31, 2020, and October 22, 2021).
  - Kenosha County (AFIDA reports dated July 27, 2020 and July 30, 2021).
  - Juneau County (AFIDA report dated July 27, 2020)
  - Racine County (AFIDA reports dated August 20, 2021).
- Koshkonong Solar Energy Center, LLC, with foreign investors, located in Montreal, Canada, acquired long-term leasehold interests in multiple properties located in Dane County (AFIDA reports dated January 15, 2021, March 12, 2021, April 23, 2021, and July 30, 2021),
- Paris Solar Energy Center, LLC, with foreign investors located in Montreal, Canada, acquired long-term leasehold interests in multiple properties located in Kenosha County (AFIDA reports dated July 31, 2020 and June 25, 2021).

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection has received the following submission pursuant to s. 710.02 (4), Wis. Stats. in the 2020 calendar year:

- 1. Butter Solar, LLC (submission dated February 7, 2020)
  - Butter Solar, LLC, already had a leasehold interest in properties located in Trempealeau County, Lafayette, Barron, and Grant and changed upstream ownership to include a Dutch cooperative, DIF Infrastructure V Cooperatief U.A., located in Schiphol, Netherlands. (USDA Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) reports dated February 6, 2020).

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection received no submissions pursuant to s. 710.02 (4), Wis. Stats. in the 2019 and 2021 calendar years.